

Requesting Entity: Montana State University, 207 Montana Hall, P.O. Box 172460, Bozeman, MT 59717  
Amount: \$514,000

Description: The funding will be used in collaboration with University of Idaho and North Dakota State University to develop improved malt, feed, cellulosic ethanol and food barley varieties for barley growers in rural communities.

Requesting Member: Representative DENNY REHBERG

The Bill Number: H.R. 1105

The Account: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Salaries and Expenses

Project: Greater Yellowstone Interagency Brucellosis Committee

Requesting Entity: Montana Department of Livestock, 301 North Roberts Street, P.O. Box 202001, Helena, MT 59620  
Amount: \$650,000

Description: The funding will support research and activities to reduce the prevalence of brucellosis in wildlife as well as to reduce the risk of transmission of brucellosis from wildlife to cattle.

Requesting Member: Representative DENNY REHBERG

The Bill Number: H.R. 1105

The Account: Rural Business-Cooperative Service, Rural Cooperative Development Grants

Project: Appropriate Technology Transfer for Rural Areas (ATTRA)

Requesting Entity: National Center for Appropriate Technology, 3040 Continental Drive, P.O. Box 3838, Butte, MT 59702  
Amount: \$2,582,000

Description: The funding will be used for ATTRA which offers technical information and assistance to farmers, ranchers and agricultural information providers interested in sustainable agriculture technologies and marketing methods.

#### COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE

Requesting Member: DENNY REHBERG

The Bill Number: HR 1105

The Account: DOJ—COPS Meth

Project: Montana Meth Project

Amount: \$1,000,000

Description: The entity to receive funding for this project is the Montana Meth Project at 305 South Fourth Street East, Missoula, MT 59801. The funding would be used in acquiring advertising promotion for the purpose of combating Meth addiction in Montana.

Requesting Member: DENNY REHBERG

The Bill Number: HR 1105

Account: Department of Justice—OJP—

Byrne Discretionary Grants

Project: Montana State University/Billings—Academic and Skills Development

Amount: \$350,000

Description: The entity to receive funding for this project is Montana State University, Billings at 1500 University Drive, Billings, MT 59101. The funding will be used in the continued development and implementation of an academic program for inmates at the Montana Women's Prison that offers inmates general education coursework toward certificate or associate degrees, providing them with job and life skills.

Requesting Member: DENNY REHBERG

The Bill Number: HR 1105

The Account: DOJ—COPS Law Enforcement Technology

Project: Great Falls Regional Firearms Training Facility

Amount: \$282,000

Description: The entity to receive funding for this project is the Great Falls Police Department at 112 1st Street South, Great Falls, MT 59401. Funding will be used in the development and construction of a multi-agency facility to provide a realistic hands-on training environment that is conducive to protecting local and national security.

Requesting Member: DENNY REHBERG

The Bill Number: HR 1105

Account: Department of Justice—OJP—Byrne Discretionary Grants

Project: City of Billings Digital Video Project

Amount: \$269,000

Description: The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Billings at 210 N. 27th St, Billings, MT 59101. This funding will be used in purchasing digital in-car video equipment for patrol cars.

#### FINANCIAL SERVICES

Requesting Member: DENNY REHBERG

The Bill Number: HR 1105

The Account: SBA

Project: Montana World Trade Center—Enterprise

Amount: \$300,000

Description: The entity to receive funding for this project is Enterprise—Montana at Gallagher Business Building, Suite 257, University of Montana, Missoula, MT 59812. The funding would be used in creating clusters of small businesses in areas including agriculture, food products, environmental and engineering services.

Requesting Member: DENNY REHBERG

The Bill Number: HR 1105

The Account: SBA

Project: Montana State University—(MMEC) Commercialization of Bio-Products Amount: \$100,000

Description: The entity to receive funding for this project is Montana State University, Bozeman at 207 Montana Hall, Bozeman, MT 59717. The funding would be used in the continued development and commercialization of bio-based products.

Requesting Member: DENNY REHBERG

The Bill Number: HR 1105

The Account: SBA

Project: TechRanch University Centers Program

Amount: \$100,000

Description: The entity to receive funding for this project is Montana State University, Bozeman at 207 Montana Hall, Bozeman, MT 59717. The funding would be used in development of a pilot program for strategic business development in the rural areas throughout Montana.

#### TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Requesting Member: DENNY REHBERG

The Bill Number: HR 1105

The Account: FHWA—FL

Project: Montana Secondary 323 from Ekalaka to Alzada

Amount: \$2,850,000

Description: The entity to receive funding for this project is the Montana Department of Transportation at 2701 Prospect Avenue, Helena, MT 59620. The funding would be used for the continued improvements of Secondary Highway 323 in order to upgrade the corridor for a safer and modern standard of travel in Southeastern Montana, as well as a greater enhancement for commercial and recreational transportation.

Requesting Member: DENNY REHBERG

The Bill Number: HR 1105

The Account: FHWA—FL

Project: Livingston Railroad Grade Separation Undercrossing

Amount: \$332,500

Description: The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Livingston at 414 E. Callender Street, Livingston, MT 59047. The funding would be used in the preparation of environmental documentation, development of project design, and preparation of contract documents for bidding and construction of a railroad grade separated undercrossing.

Requesting Member: DENNY REHBERG

The Bill Number: HR 1105

The Account: FHWA—FL

Project: The Poverello Center

Amount: \$285,000

Description: The entity to receive funding for this project is the Poverello Center, Inc. located at 535 Ryman Street, Missoula, Montana 59802. The funding will be used in the expansion of the Poverello homeless shelter and soup kitchen.

Requesting Member: DENNY REHBERG

The Bill Number: HR 1105

The Account: Buses & Bus Facilities

Project: Billings Replacement Paratransit Vans

Amount: \$247,000

Description: The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Billings at 210 N. 27th St., Billings, MT 59101. The funding will be used in replacement of four handicapped equipped vans for the elderly and disabled community.

Requesting Member: DENNY REHBERG

The Bill Number: HR 1105

The Account: HUD—EDI

Project: Jefferson County Sunlight Business Park

Amount: \$142,500

Description: The entity to receive funding for this project is the Jefferson Local Development Corporation at 309 East Legion Street, Whitehall, MT 59759. The funding will be used in the development of infrastructure to foster economic diversification in the Sunlight Business Park project.

RECOGNIZING BEVERLY ECKERT'S SERVICE TO THE NATION AND PARTICULARLY TO THE SURVIVORS AND FAMILIES OF THE SEPTEMBER 11, 2001, ATTACKS

HON. LOUISE MCINTOSH SLAUGHTER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 2, 2009

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to introduce a resolution recognizing Beverly Eckert's service to the Nation and in particular to the survivors and families of the September 11, 2001 attacks. I am deeply saddened by the loss of such an inspirational and courageous woman, and extend my deepest sympathies to her family and friends on their loss.

Beverly Eckert was the widow of Mr. Sean Rooney, who died in the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center. Beverly had been among the most visible faces of the victims families in the aftermath of the attacks. Following her husband's death, Beverly co-founded "Voices of September 11",

an advocacy group for survivors and 9/11 families. Beverly was instrumental in the development and growth of this important advocacy group, which now claims more than 5,500 members.

Beverly and other members of the Voices of September 11 testified before the 9/11 Commission to help report on the September 11th terrorists attacks. Beverly worked admirably with the 110th Congress and was a key proponent in the final passage of the "Implementing the 9/11 Commission Recommendations Act of 2007"—the important legislation to effectuate the recommendations of the 9/11 Commission to prevent, prepare, and respond to acts of terrorism.

All too tragically, Beverly lost her life in the devastating crash of Continental Connection Flight 3407 on February 12, 2009. As the tireless advocate she was, Beverly was on her way to Buffalo to mark what would have been her husband's birthday and launch a scholarship in his memory. We have all lost an inspiring and tenacious woman in Beverly. We must continue to honor her memory and her accomplishments, and carry on her mission.

This resolution acknowledges Beverly's service to the Nation and particularly to the survivors and families of the September 11, 2001, attacks; recognizes Beverly's work to help bring about implementation of the 9/11 Commission recommendations to prepare, prevent, and respond to acts of terrorism; and extends its deepest condolences to the family of Beverly Eckert and the families of all those who lost their lives due to the crash of Continental Connection Flight 3407.

I urge my colleagues to support this resolution, honor the life of Beverly Eckert, and commemorate her valuable service to the 9/11 survivors and families and to this country.

IN HONOR OF CLEAN OCEAN  
ACTION

**HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 2, 2009*

Mr. PALLONE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Clean Ocean Action's 25th anniversary. Clean Ocean Action, led by Cindy Zipf, is a national and regional leader on the protection of our coastal environment. For twenty-five years Clean Ocean Action has fought against ocean dumping and the industrialization of our coast. They have also worked to improve programs and laws that protect public health at our beaches.

Most importantly, Clean Ocean Action focuses on grassroots organizing to create awareness about coastal environmental issues. They have been outstanding at rallying coastal communities and like-minded organizations against the industrialization of our coast and the degradation of our beaches.

We have come a long way in the last 25 years. When Clean Ocean Action started there were countless beach closures and medical waste on the New Jersey shore. However, with Clean Ocean Action's leadership we have been able to close eight ocean dumpsites and we now have powerful clean water laws on the books. Laws like the BEACH Act have ensured better monitoring of beach water, greater public awareness, and improved health.

In these twenty-five years I have stood side-by-side with Clean Ocean Action. I have introduced the Clean Ocean Zone, a comprehensive set of policies that will preserve the New York/New Jersey Bight as a great place for residents and visitors to enjoy. I will continue to stand on the front lines with Clean Ocean Action to keep our beaches clean and to protect our coastal environment.

Madam Speaker, I sincerely hope that my colleagues will join me in honoring Clean Ocean Action and their leader Cindy Zipf for their environmental stewardship and their commitment to keeping our beaches clean, safe and healthy.

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE  
FIRST MILITARY FLIGHT

**HON. LAMAR SMITH**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 2, 2009*

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Madam Speaker, United States military aviation was born in San Antonio on March 2, 1910, when 1st Lt. Benjamin Foulois launched a Wright Brothers "Aeroplane" into the air from a wooden take-off ramp at the Fort Sam Houston Parade Field. This first flight revolutionized military combat, and dramatically influenced public transportation and commerce around the globe.

March 2, 2010, will mark the 100 year anniversary of military aviation, and San Antonio would like to celebrate this in a special way. They would like to make military aviation a theme for the entire year, encompassing everything from San Antonio's Fiesta celebration to The Chamber's annual "Celebrate America's Military".

This anniversary will include a reenactment of Foulois' first flight using a replica of the original Wright Flyer at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

San Antonio is home to many aviation legends and firsts, among them: In 1924, Charles Lindberg became a flying cadet in the United States Air Reserve, training at Brooks and Kelly fields. Dr. Francis Kane developed the GPS system, which was originally used for precision bombing. On June 3, 1965, astronaut Edward Higgins White, II, a San Antonio native, became the first American to conduct a spacewalk. Gen Schielberg is father of space missile defense. U.S. astronauts used the centrifuge at Brooks City-Base for nearly 40 years to conduct space training. Brooks AFB was the first center for manned space travel.

All of this occurred as a result of the first military flight in San Antonio.

HONORING BRAD SCHIPPER

**HON. BRUCE L. BRALEY**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 2, 2009*

Mr. BRALEY of Iowa. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate New Hartford Fire Chief Brad Schipper on receiving the 'Heroes Among Us Award.' Chief Schipper received this award for his dedication to his community during and after this summer's tornado and floods that ripped through Iowa.

This award is presented to an individual or individuals who, through their unique commitment and humanitarian spirit, have made exceptional and lasting contributions to their community. This is an everyday task that Chief Schipper has been committed to for the past 19 years as a member of New Hartford's Fire Department.

Our everyday public servants are individuals that keep our families and us safe and represent the very best of our communities. Chief Schipper has been dedicated to this objective and is truly a hero among us.

I am proud to represent Brad and the town of New Hartford in Congress. I congratulate Brad on his extraordinary accomplishment and ask you to join me today to honor the service of one of our hometown heroes.